OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b)

Year	No. of Officers	
	Granted extension	Refused extension
1991	21	16
1992	16	5

Govt. Employees attending offices during rally

3061. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to strict police bandobast and non-availabiliy of D.T.C. buses in view of banned rally which was to be held at Boat Club on 25th February, 1993, a large number of Government employees have attended their offices with severe constraint of walking of long distances and facing all odds of police checking at several points in Delhi;

(b) if so, the numbers thereof, separately, in Central Offices and Delhi Administration;

(c) whether the employees as in (a) have proved their loyalty, sincerety and obedience to office discipline and decorum;

(d) whether Government propose to confer some awards on such employees to maintain their morale for future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) According to reports available, due to restrictions imposed on the movement of traffic on 25.2.1993, members of public, including Government employees, faced certain difficulties in some areas in Delhi in reaching their places of work.

(b) Information is not centrally available.

(c) to (e) As 25th February, 1993 was a working day in Government offices, the employees were ordinarily expected to attend office. As such, there is no proposal to confer any award on employees who attended the office on 25th February, 1993.

Promotion of IRS Officers

3062. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a newsitem which appeared in the Indian Express (ND) dated 19th February, 1993 under the caption "IAS dominance angers IRS officers" wherein it has been stated that promotion prospects of IRS officers are not comparable to IAS officers;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to improve their promotional avenues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE

OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) It would be examined.

Objectivity of personality tests

3063. SHRI RAMGOPAL YADAV:
SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH:
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Civil Services students who otherwise secure high marks in the main examination are rejected in the Personality Tests (Interview) though they had taken consecutive examinations;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Interview marks have also been considerably raised by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC);

(c) whether Government have examined the objectivity of the personality tests for civil Services Examination and desirability of raising the marks for personality tests by the UPSC;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) the changes if any, contemplated by Government in the system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) No, Sir. There are no minimum qualifying marks fixed for the Interview Test.

(b) The marks prescribed for the Interview Test have been marginally raised from 250 to 300 with effect from the Civil Services Examination, 1993.

(c) to (e) Ensuring objectivity of the Personality Test for Civil Services Examination in a matter within the ourview of Union Public Service Commission. However, the role of Interview Test and its relative weightage was considered by an Expert Committee appointed by the Commission under the Chairmanship of Prof. Satish Chandra, Ex-Chairman, University Grants Commission. Only after considering the recommendation of the Committee the present decision to increase the relative weightage of Interview Test has been brought about by the Govt./Commission.

सहायकों और उच्च श्रेणी लिपिकों के बीच के अन्तर को कम किया जाना

3064. **श्रीमती कैलाशपति :** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार केन्द्रीय सरकार/दिल्ली प्रशासन/दिल्ली नगर निगम के कार्यालयों में कार्यरत सहायकों और उच्च श्रेणी लिपिकों के पदों के वेतनमानों के बीच के अन्तर को कम करने का विचार रखती है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इन वेतनमानों को कब तक लागू कर दिए जाने की संभावना है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्रीमती मार्गरेट आल्वा): (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है तथा सदन के पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।